

Throughout Geography, there are 5 major themes; Place, Movement, Environment, Interaction, and Region. They all have a given topic that they represent and they are all different in their very own ways. The first theme in Geography is...

### **Theme 1: Place**

A place is a village, town, city, state, continent, province or country. No matter what type of place it is, it is consumed of a population, capital city and a landmark. A population is the amount of people that live in the given place. A population could also be based on the amount of houses, shops, or animals – pretty much anything has a certain population (For example, the population of Ontario is probably about 2,000,000 people)

Places contain a capital city. Capital cities are cities that most people live in or cities that are tourist attractions; more simply the most well know city in the area. (For example, the capital city of Ontario is Ottawa)

Lastly, places are also known to have a landmark. A landmark is a well known human made attraction that represents a certain place. Landmarks are commonly located on posters, pictures or maps of their rightful place. (For example, the landmark for Toronto is the CN Tower; the landmark for Paris is the Eiffel Tower)

### **Theme 2: Movement**

Movement is the continuous flow of people, transportation, products, information or business. Movement determines where things will be located when they are done their movement process, such as products getting shipped from factory to store, people transferring from home to work or school, or people passing information from person to person.

Movement can travel in different ways. It isn't just people and products to get moved, but information can be passed around as well. Information has a completely different way of getting around. It is passed through people by them

telling different people about different topics and they gain new info that can be passed to another person from their understanding.

People and products are passed a different way than information. They can be transferred from any way of transportation and can also travel by public transit. Public transits are a faster transportation that people can travel to get to their wanted area. Public Transits can be buses, trains, or cabs because they are open for the public to use any time needed. They are mostly used in larger cities that it is hard for people to get around easily, without getting caught in traffic.

### **Theme 3: Environment**

The environment is the connection between living things. It is how living things and their habitats handle the connection between each other and what affects them in healthy ways and non-healthy ways. The environment is made up of several subdivisions that are somehow related to living things. They are landforms, climate, water, soils and natural vegetation. They are all ways that affect the environment in some way. Landforms are broken or manmade spots on the earth that the environment has created over time. They can be mountains, plains, caves, or animal or human habitats. They affect the environment because they are capable for making new habitats for living things, who act differently around different landforms, due to their liking or disliking of them.

Another part of the environment theme is climate. Climate affects the way that living things react to the environment, if the climate is cold then people and animals tend to find ways to keep them warm such as wearing clothing that is suitable for the cool weather or staying in their homes until it gets warm again. The weather can also be warm, which forces people and animals to try to stay cooler so that they get the temperature that they need, so they dress so that their bodies will stay cool and they may even go outside to cool down from the previous climate, which may have been freezing cold.

The environment needs water, soil and natural vegetation as well to survive. Water provides hydration to living things to keep them cool. If they don't get the water supply that they need, that could result in dehydration which could cause whatever didn't get enough water to eventually die. The environment also needs soil and natural vegetation to survive because they both provide the same use. Soil

provides food and is a growth hormone for plants, and natural vegetation provides food for plants, people and other living things.

#### **Theme 4: Interaction**

The interaction theme is the process of living things interacting with each other. For example, the interaction theme for people is when people talk to each other, and the interaction theme for animals is when they fight over food. Or when they make noises to each other, such as growling and barking. The interaction theme for all living things is an important because if they don't interact, then they won't be able to "interact" or share feelings.

#### **Theme 5: Region**

Regions are another version of place. Although they are very similar, they are different in their own ways. A well-known region is the Middle East. The Middle East is made of countries that have been through war, or recession, such as Iraq, Iran, Afghanistan, Pakistan, and other non-wealthy cities.

Regions are contained of many countries, cities or towns that are all very similar to each other. They could all be contained of rivers or lakes, while others could contain just simply deserts and other cultural traditions such as turbans, coats, makeup, and other countries traditional things.

